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# Occupy deadline passes

► Victoria Park encampment still in place at press time ► Many occupiers expected police to make a move overnight or in early morning ► City has been 'patient,' Mayor Joe Fontana said, but 'it's time for them to go'



► People raise a cheer at about 6:15 p.m. yesterday as a festive mood breaks out at the Occupy London encampment in Victoria Park. Drumming, singing and dancing went on for hours after city officials failed to start dismantling the encampment after 6 p.m., as promised. More coverage on pages 2 and 3.

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The vibe at Occupy London was more like a party than a police state last night as city officials reneged on a promise to dismantle the camp at 6 p.m.

The mood was slightly tense as the deadline neared. Occupiers hurried about, moving many of their provisions — mostly plates, cups, food and water — into a tent they planned to surround with linked arms when police arrived.

Hundreds of observers milled around Victoria Park as last-minute preparations were made. Some stopped to read hand-made signs explaining the occupiers' views, while others sat on park benches and waited.

"I want to see how this thing turns out," Jacob VanRooyen said.

VanRooyen, 31, of London, works nearby and has walked through the encampment practically every day since Oct. 22. He supports the city's order — issued via notices posted around the camp shortly before 10 a.m. yesterday — that the occupiers leave.

## Striking camp

► City officials had said they would dismantle tents themselves if they were not removed by 6 p.m. Failure to comply could result in trespassing charges, police Chief Brad Duncan said.

"I support their right to protest ... but you don't have the right to live in the park," he said.

Others came to the park to show their support for the movement. They included members of labour unions, teenagers, senior citizens and men dressed in business suits.

As 6 p.m. rolled by and nothing happened, people began playing drums, dancing, singing and chanting slogans.

Tuxedage Maho, 18, of London, a member of the occupation since Day 1, said he was pleased by the community reaction. As for why police had not moved in, Maho agreed with several others, saying the city is "afraid."

"They are afraid of taking action. They are afraid of backlash," he said. "People support this movement. It's very underestimated."

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# Occupy London: The story so far

- Protesters have been camped at Victoria Park since Oct. 22
- City officials appear determined to dismantle the encampment

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► Terry Firlotte, 54, of London, left, receives a notice from Orest Katolyk, right, yesterday morning ordering that the Occupy London encampment be removed from Victoria Park. Katolyk is the city's bylaw enforcement manager and was one of several bylaw officers who started posting the notices shortly before 10 a.m.



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## A timeline of the Occupy London movement:

- **Oct. 22.** Members of the movement meet in Campbell Park and decide to start an encampment in the northwest corner of Victoria Park, a week after Occupy Toronto started.
- **Oct. 26.** Mayor Joe Fontana and police Chief Brad Duncan ask the occupiers to move out of Victoria Park, citing bylaws that prohibit tents and using parks between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- The tent city gets its first visit from police liaison officers as rumours circulate that the protesters will be removed.
- **Oct. 27.** Occupiers march from Victoria Park to Covent Garden Market, storming in on Fontana's town hall meeting as it's broadcast on the Internet.
- Fontana calls a special council meeting to hear the protesters' concerns.
- The dean of St. Paul's Cathedral tells the occupiers they can move their tents to the church's lawn.
- **Oct. 28.** Members of the movement fill council chambers and share their concerns with councillors for more than an hour. Concerns mentioned include homelessness, lack of sup-

port for people with mental-health issues, income disparity and a lack of government accountability.

- Fontana calls on the protesters to get involved in city workgroups so the "dialogue" can continue, but says he can't guarantee they will not be forcibly removed from the park. A few tents are moved to the St. Paul's lawn sometime after the meeting.

- **Nov. 1.** During a tree-lighting in Victoria Park, Fontana indicates the ceremony had to be moved to a different part of the park to avoid the occupiers. The mayor tells occupiers they can have an education tent at the park during the day if

they disassemble the encampment.

- Members of the encampment say the tree-lighting ceremony didn't need to move and say they complied with a city request to move out of the originally selected area.

- **Nov. 3.** City officials deliver a letter to the tent city. The letter again asks the protesters to leave, explains park bylaws, indicates the regulations don't limit public expression and lists 14 concerns with allowing the encampment to continue.

- **Monday.** Occupiers say they are drafting a response to the city's letter and intend to deliver it to city hall by the end of the

ANGELA MULLINS/METRO



► Police Chief Brad Duncan talks to an Occupy London participant Oct. 27

day. Fontana, speaking at about 11 p.m., says the letter has not been received.

- **Yesterday.** Bylaw enforcement officers move into the encampment shortly before 10 a.m., posting eviction notices on trees and tents. The occupiers are told they have until 6 p.m. to pack up or police will move in.

## Opposition says Ontario Grits giving them the cold shoulder

Despite facing tough decisions to deal with a \$16-billion deficit, Ontario's minority Liberal government prefers negotiating with the opposition parties through the media instead

of face-to-face, say the Progressive Conservatives and New Democrats.

Premier Dalton McGuinty has ignored repeated requests from PC Leader Tim Hudak and NDP Leader An-

drea Horwath to meet and discuss legislative priorities for the fall session, something they wouldn't have demanded if the Liberals had won a third majority. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

## Government complaint? There's an app for that

Those who want the ear of Ontario's ombudsman can now use a mobile app on their smartphones and tablets.

The mobile website will allow users to file a complaint about any Ontario

government service.

It can also be used to get the latest news from the ombudsman's office.

The full website can be found at [ombudsman.on.ca](http://ombudsman.on.ca).

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# Protest gives meaning to those involved

► Some consider the movement a 'life-changing experience'

► Occupiers say protest made them realize others are 'struggling' too



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Everyone who has spent a night in the Occupy London camp has a story to tell.

Some are about acceptance. Some are about complex issues such as battling mental illness.

Others are about being part of something with the potential to create a domino effect of change.

Those stories, weaved together and left to develop under the trees at Victoria Park, are what have made the occupation a worthwhile exercise in free assembly, participants said.

"I feel more fulfilled here than I would anywhere making money," Matthew Febraro said yesterday morning, describing his multiple jobs and responsibilities around the camp. "If this ends, I'm going to go pitch my tent elsewhere."

Members of the occupation — and those like it across the country — have stressed time and time again that the movement doesn't have a "face," a singular agenda or a clear-cut definition.

But, in many ways, Febraro represents a good portion of the nearly 50 people who have been behind the local movement since Day 1.

The 22-year-old lifelong Londoner grew up like many others in the city. His dad's a carpenter. His mom works in human resources.

He's a high school graduate with some college under his belt. He's soft-spoken and easy to talk to.

Simply put, Febraro is relatively average outside the way he's carrying out his desire to live in a society without "corporate greed" and away from a world that places a strong emphasis on money.

The occupation, Febraro said, has given him



► Matthew Febraro, 22, of London, talks about what Occupy London has meant to him yesterday morning in Victoria Park. Febraro started living in the tent city Oct. 22, the day it was established.

an outlet to share his ideas and created a community where he felt valued.

"I didn't have much to

give at the time," he said, speaking about his life before Occupy London. "I feel like I have more here and I had nothing before."

For Terry Firlotte, 54, of London, the encampment has been the catalyst for a brighter outlook on life.

"There's nobody here

... that hasn't been touched," he said. "There's hope. There's hope that we can change this (world)."

## Downtown Shoppers Drug Mart ready to open

It's not the grocery store many living in downtown London have been waiting for, but a full-sized Shoppers Drug Mart is just about ready to open in the core.

The new location at Richmond and Carling, next to Moxie's, is scheduled to open on Thursday, Nov. 24.

An official grand-opening ceremony will follow a

couple of days later, on Saturday, Nov. 26.

In addition to the usual items, this location will also sell groceries — something city Coun. Judy Bryant says will be a tremendous complement to the downtown.

"This will definitely help because it's going to provide items that you can't get at Covent Garden Mar-



► Coun. Judy Bryant

ket," said Bryant. "It's a really good move."

Efforts to attract a full-sized grocery store to the core continue.

Officials believe that as the population downtown grows, so will their chances of luring a grocery store to the area.

The downtown population is currently 4,500.

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### Opening

► Along with Shopper's, Robertson Hall Insurance brokerage firm will eventually be moving into the same plaza.

► The brokerage firm will occupy the upper two floors of the three-storey

building, moving its 35 employees from its current location on Wellington Street near the London Health Sciences Centre.



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► Jacques Demers

## ex-NHL coach to talk about literacy struggle

Two-time NHL coach of the year Jacques Demers will help Literacy Link South Central celebrate its 20th anniversary at a one-night event tomorrow night. Facing Off With Literacy will take place at the London

Convention Centre from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Demers will talk about how he struggled with low literacy while coaching in the NHL. For more information, call Literacy Link South Central at 519-681-7307. ● METRO

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# Huge asteroid zips past Earth

► Humans may want to visit 2005 YU55 because it contains carbon-based materials, possibly frozen water

An asteroid as big as an aircraft carrier zipped by Earth yesterday in the closest encounter by such a massive space rock in more than three decades.

Scientists ruled out any chance of a collision but turned their telescopes skyward to learn more about the object known as 2005 YU55.

Its closest approach to Earth was pegged at a distance of 325,088 kilometres at 6:28 p.m. EST. That's just inside the moon's orbit; the average distance between Earth and the moon is 384,633 kilometres.

The last time a large cosmic interloper came that



► Asteroid 2005 YU55

close to Earth was in 1976, and it won't happen again until 2028.

Scientists at NASA's Deep Space Network in the California desert have tracked the quarter-mile-wide asteroid since last week as it approached from the direction of the sun at 46,671 km/h.

Astronomers and amateur skygazers around the world kept watch, too.

The Clay Center Observatory in Massachusetts planned an all-night viewing party so children and parents could peer through research-grade telescopes and listen to lectures. The asteroid can't be detected with the naked eye.

For those without a telescope, the observatory streamed video of the fly-by live on Ustream, attracting several thousand viewers. The asteroid appeared as a white dot against a backdrop of stars.

Since its discovery six years ago, scientists have been monitoring the spherical, coal-coloured asteroid as it slowly spins through space. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

## Beaver. Support



► Grant Hooker, co-founder of BeaverTails Canada, holds up Plush Beaver as he unveils the new beaver monument at his store in the ByWard Market in Ottawa yesterday.

JESSICA SMITH/METRO IN OTTAWA

## Paws off our symbol

The couple behind Ottawa's iconic tail-shaped pastry stood up to a senator's recent disparaging of the beaver by erecting a monument to the diligent rodent.

## Gay tourism ban wiped from B.C. pamphlet

British Columbia's tourism minister was quick to apologize yesterday and to rebuke a government pamphlet that warns the province's businesses not to promote gay tourism to Canada in China.

The pamphlet was issued to B.C. tourism operators last week and is titled How to Market your Business to China.

Midway through the document, it says, "Tourism BC will also require that any partner operator agrees to ... prohibit the promotion of casinos, gambling and gay tourism, per the China National Tourism Administration."

Pat Bell said yesterday the reference is being removed.

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## Ex-soldier ends hunger strike

The federal government will create a new committee to study veterans' health in the wake of a hunger strike by an ex-soldier who insists he was contaminated by depleted uranium while serving in Bosnia.

Veterans Affairs Minister Steven Blaney made the announcement in Levis, Que., after Pascal Lacoste ended his protest and allowed himself to be taken away in an ambulance yesterday.

Lacoste, who battled to get Ottawa to recognize his uranium poisoning while serving overseas, flashed a two-fingered "victory" sign as he ended his hunger strike.

He swigged grape juice as he was loaded into an ambulance that took him to hospital for treatment. Over four days, Lacoste had been depriving himself of all food and liquids except for capfuls of water to help him take prescription medication.

ication.

Lacoste said he wasn't just fighting for himself; he had refused an offer of medical treatment until Ottawa agreed to help any other veteran in his situation.

Further details of the board will be announced in the next 30 days, said Blaney. The minister said the body will comprise academics, medical researchers and soldiers.

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# Italy's PM resigns for 'good of the country'

► Italy's \$2.6-trillion debt too big for Europe to bail out  
► No guarantee of new credible government: Analyst

Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi yesterday conceded support to govern and announced he would resign like his Greek counterpart, becoming the biggest political casualty yet of the European debt crisis.

Berlusconi promised to leave office after parliament passes economic reforms demanded by the European Union to keep Italy from sinking into Europe's debt mess. He came to the decision hours after a vote on a routine piece of legislation made it clear he no longer commanded a majority in the lower Chamber of Deputies.

A vote on the reform measures is planned for next week, giving Berlusconi a few more days before his turbulent 17 years in public life — and a political era in Italy — draw to a close. Over the years, Italy's political establishment watched as the media mogul survived sex scandals and corruption



► Berlusconi

charges while branding his opponents communists, traitors and terrorists.

Both Italy and Greece are under heavy pressure to reassure financial markets that the 17-country eurozone is moving quickly to reduce crippling government debts before they break apart the monetary union and plunge the world into a new recession.

Berlusconi last week took the humiliating step

of asking the International Monetary Fund to monitor the country's reform efforts in a bid to reassure markets. The EU's questionnaire said additional measures will be needed beyond what Italy has pledged to do to balance the budget by 2013, according to the text shown on Italian television.

Once Berlusconi resigns, Italian President Giorgio Napolitano will begin political consultations to form a new government. The most widely discussed name to lead a government is Mario Monti, the former EU competition commissioner.

Meanwhile, a usually defiant Berlusconi acknowledged he no longer has a parliamentary majority and said he will step aside for the good of the country. "Things like who leads or who doesn't lead the government" are less important than doing "what is best for the country."

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## Coffee. Run



► Canadians who find themselves short of change for that venti skim gingerbread latte can now pay for their Starbucks beverage with the scan of an iPhone.

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## Tall, skinny latte and an iPhone

Starbucks announced yesterday that an app for Apple's mobile phones can now handle purchases in Canada, provided a customer has preloaded an account with money. The account can be funded within the app with a credit card. Using the app also makes customers eligible for My Starbucks Rewards.

## Central banks must act: Carney

The global economy is being confronted with a new wave of credit tightening as a result of the European debt crisis that will subdue growth in many countries, Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney warns.

In his first speech since

being named by G20 leaders to the head of the international body in charge of banking reform, Carney stressed yesterday the need for quick action to increase global liquidity.

With private liquidity drying up over concerns

about sovereign debt in Europe, Carney said it is again up to the public sector, in particular central banks, to ensure there is credit available at reasonable terms for businesses and households to continue to invest and spend.

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# Flaherty: Jobs more important than budget ... to a point

Finance Minister Jim Flaherty conceded yesterday he won't be able to balance the federal budget in four years as promised, but he moved to lighten the load on workers and businesses by reducing a planned increase in payroll taxes.

Warning Canada's economic recovery is fragile and slowing, Flaherty said he is ready to go further if conditions continue to deteriorate.

"Let me be clear. We will not be bound by ideology

when it comes to making decisions to keep our economy strong and protect Canadians, their financial security and jobs," he said.

Flaherty heard from economists last month that the budget assumptions of economic growth were no longer applicable, which would mean Ottawa's revenues from tax receipts would be lower than anticipated. Economists warned that the risks were rising.

This questions whether the Conservatives can fulfil



► Finance Minister Jim Flaherty appears before the Commons finance committee to discuss Bill C-13 on Parliament Hill yesterday.

election promises that were contingent on a balanced budget.

In total, the government is adding about \$29 billion in red ink from the current year to the end of the planning horizon in 2015-16.

Flaherty said despite the bleaker outlook, the likelihood of Canada entering another recession in the near term is slim. He said while flexibility is important, the government can't afford to break the bank either. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Number crunch

► Ottawa's deficit will balloon from the initially estimated \$19.4 billion next year to \$27.4 billion, and for 2013-14 from the estimated \$9.4 billion to \$17 million.

► Harper promised to allow households to share up to \$50,000 of income for tax purposes, which would save families an average of \$1,300 a year.

## Greek interim government to be announced, says official

A new Greek interim government will be announced this afternoon, a government official, who wished

to remain anonymous, said, after critical power-sharing talks between the country's two parties dragged into a third day despite intense European pressure.

Negotiations between Prime Minister George Papandreou and opposition leader Antonis Samaras began Monday in an effort to

resolve a political crisis that has threatened to leave Greece without its vital bailout loans and raised the possibility of the country leaving the euro.

The two have agreed to forge an interim government that will shepherd the country's new \$179-billion US European rescue pack-

age. Papandreou will step aside once a deal is reached.

Socialists and opposition officials said the likely candidate to replace him is former European Central Bank vice-president Lucas Papademos. However no candidates' names have been made public.

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# CAN'T BUY ME LOVE BUT IT CAN GET ME AN OLD TOOTH

JUST SAYIN' ...

PAUL SULLIVAN  
METRO



Imagine the world is crazy. It's easy if you try.

In fact, the world is now crazier than anything John Lennon could imagine when he wrote that song.

For example, Lennon probably never imagined that an Alberta dentist would pay \$31,200 for his rotten, tartar-infested molar at an auction.

The tooth in question is in such bad condition it can't be DNA-tested. But its provenance is secure. Lennon gave it to his housekeeper to dispose of. She kept it and gave it to her daughter instead. Now the family has sold it to the Tooth Fairy, a.k.a. Michael Zuk,

who plans to enshrine it in his waiting room back in Red Deer, along with other historical artifacts, such as stale-dated copies of National Geographic and Canadian Dental Quarterly.

I write this every week, it seems: I am not making this up.

If there was any doubt that celebrities have become the new saints of the reality-show religion, that has been dispelled by this latest dubious purchase.

Every medieval church worth its steeple harbours a shrivelled nose or finger bone, and although no one can actually prove they're parts of a saint, these holy bits and pieces still attract pilgrims, who hope some of

that venerated mojo rubs off on them.

John Lennon tried to imagine a world without religion. But we just can't help ourselves. We need to have a higher power — someone to watch over us. It helps to have access to that power, hence the attraction of holy relics. People still believe in the Shroud of Turin, even though it's most certainly a medieval fraud.

But John Lennon's rotten tooth? The martyred Beatle once got himself into hot water for declaring that the Beatles were more popular than Jesus Christ. Imagine he was right. Still, it's no weirder than the shock of Elvis hair that went for \$100,000 or Cher's bra that went to the Hard Rock Cafe, or Britney Spears' wad of chewed gum that generated a \$14,000 bid on eBay. (Also offered: her half-eaten corn dog and egg-salad sandwich. Yuck.)

Clearly, if you're famous, even for 15 minutes (like Britney), every chunk is priceless. Michael Zuk may have \$31,000 less, but he does have an indisputable chunk of the greatest Beatle. Paul McCartney's probably going, "I wonder how much one of my decayed molars is worth?"

Not as much as John Lennon's, pal. Imagine the rest of him is in heaven. We take what we can get.

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## Worth Mentioning

In some areas of Israel, women have been shunted onto separate sidewalks, and buses and health clinics have been gender-segregated. The military has considered reassigning some female combat soldiers because religious men don't want to serve with them.

This is the new reality in parts of 21st-century Israel, where ultra-Orthodox rabbis are trying to contain the encroachment of secular values on their cloistered society through a fierce backlash against the mixing of the sexes in public.

On the surface, Israel's gender equality bona fides seem strong, with the late Golda Meir as a former prime minister and Tzipi Livni as the current opposition leader. But the World Economic Forum recently released 2009 data stating Israeli women earned two-thirds what men did.

Secularists in Israel worry that their lifestyles could be targeted because the ultra-Orthodox population is growing.

Their high birthrate of about seven children per family is forecast to send their proportion of the population, now estimated at nine per cent, to 15 per cent by 2025.

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## Local tweets



► @ShannonKarleen: They can continue protesting

without tents. #ldnont  
► @JClarkey: If I could, I would be in Vic park tonight protecting our right to protest!! This is very disappointing.

#ldnont #occupyldnont  
► @BHRaymond: Oh look.

Fontana showing some actual leadership. #ldnont

► @Sixxt8: #occupyldnont has until 6PM to remove structures from Victoria Park #ldnont.....About Time !!!!

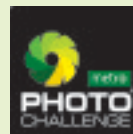
► @unmuseum: How's everyone's day going so far? #ldnont #uwo #museums

#archives  
► @chadder87: I believe in a right to protest but I also believe in the right of citizens to enjoy their parks.

#ldnont #occupyldnont  
► @StuartClark: #ldnont everyone on all sides of this issue needs to pause a moment before deciding what to do next.

► @jeffpeter: Amazing weather! #ldnont

► @novavitalondon: London Ontario @our\_children (CAS) toy and gift drive...they need pajamas for 3 to 6 year olds. annual #filltheNovaVitawindow #ldnont



## photo of the day



► This untitled photo was submitted to the Photo of the Day category by dZm from Nova Scotia.

Metro invites its readers to join the Metro Global Photo Challenge — running in 100 cities on four continents — to win fantastic prizes and worldwide recognition. Enter your digital photos at [metrophotochallenge.com](http://metrophotochallenge.com). The contest runs until Nov. 22. As well as a chance to win a trip to any city Metro publishes, one submission will also be featured here daily.

## WEIRD NEWS

### Peacocks, prostitutes and pot found in Mexico prison

Authorities say a surprise search at an Acapulco prison in Mexico has netted two peacocks, 100 fighting cocks, 19 prostitutes and two sacks filled with marijuana.

Police in the Mexican resort city also found dozens of televisions, several bottles of alcohol and knives.

Guerrero state spokesman Arturo Martinez says federal and state police searched the prison before dawn Monday.

Martinez didn't say how the women, birds and the other banned objects got into the prison.

He referred to the peacocks as "pets."

The resort city has been plagued by crime since last year when gangs began fighting for control after the arrest of Edgar Valdez Villarreal, also known as "La Barbie."

According to Sky News, Guerrero state has the third highest rate of murders in the country, falling behind Chihuahua and Nuevo Leon, both of which are northern border states. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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▶ Leonardo DiCaprio, left, director Clint Eastwood and writer Dustin Lance Black conference on the set of J. Edgar.

# Fresh eyes on Edgar

► J. Edgar writer Dustin Lance Black tries to cast the famed FBI leader in a light like no other before ► Shows the superstar status Hoover carried



After winning an Oscar for his screenplay for Milk, another biopic should have been a piece of cake for Dustin Lance Black. Of course, the life of infamous FBI leader J. Edgar Hoover is no ordinary biography — especially given Hoover's penchant for secrecy about pretty much everything in his life, including his rumored life-

long love affair with Clyde Tolson.

**The film covers a wide span of Hoover's life. When you were writing it, did you know it would be played by Leonardo DiCaprio?**

No, in fact I try not to consider casting when I'm writing — especially a biopic like this, when I don't have the opportunity to meet the real guy. It's enough work to try and figure out who he was and get a handle on how he might've been, how he might've talked, the

things he might've been thinking and feeling, his behaviour — you know, all that's tough enough.

**At what point did you know Leonardo DiCaprio would be playing the part?**

Things moved very quickly once I turned in the script. Brian Grazer got it to Clint Eastwood, and while Clint was reading it I got a phone call from my lawyer — who works at the same firm Leo's represented by — and they said, 'Hey, you're not showing this to anyone else, are you?' I

mean, I was very excited that it was Leo, if that's what you want to know about, because this movie was supposed to be about subverting some expectations — confirming some things and subverting others — and one of them was this was a young man who was very promising and handsome, and starlets did throw themselves at him and he could get the best seat at the best club in New York when he went. People don't think of Hoover like that.

## GQ Australia

Going to war with Australia

► Questions Dustin Lance Black was none-too-pleased when GQ Australia asked Twilight star Taylor Lautner if Black and openly gay director Gus Van Sant had made a pass at him when the trio had dinner recently. And while the magazine defended itself by claiming they were making light of Lautner's universally accepted hotness, Black still found their apology satisfactory. "They apologized," he says.

## Adele



Adele has undergone throat surgery to stop a recurrent condition that caused her to cancel tour dates and promotional appearances for the rest of the year, a spokesman said yesterday.

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Winfrey's philanthropy earns honorary Oscar alongside film vets James Earl Jones, Dick Smith

# SANDLER DUPLICATING ORIGINALS

## IN FOCUS

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Ben Affleck did it. So did Eddie Murphy and Charlie Chaplin.

Heck, Alec Guinness did it eight times, including once as a woman.

This weekend in Jack and Jill, Adam Sandler adds his name to the list of actors who have played multiple roles in the same film.

"In Jack and Jill I play me," says Sandler, "and I play my twin sister. The man version of me is doing OK; he has a family out in L.A. The twin-sister version of me lives out in the Bronx and comes out to L.A. for Thanksgiving and then refuses to leave."

The idea of playing more than one role in a movie dates back to the Mary Pickford 1918

weepy Stella Maris.

In it she plays the wealthy title character and the uneducated orphan Unity Blake.

The studio balked at her insistence on playing both roles, but Pickford insisted.

As Stella she was pho-

tographed like a glamorous movie star, but as Unity she wore unflattering makeup and was shot from her right, less photogenic, side. Scenes where the two characters shared the screen were achieved through double exposure.

Since then everyone

from Mel Brooks (he was President Skroob and Yorgurt in Spaceballs), to David Carradine (remember him in Circle of Iron as The Blind Man, Monkeyman, Death, and Changsha?) to Peter Sellers (who played as Group Captain Lionel Mandrake,

President Merkin Muffley, and Dr. Strangelove in Dr. Strangelove or: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love the Bomb) have taken on multi-roles.

Perhaps because of their sketch comedy backgrounds, Eddie Murphy and Mike Myers often

take on various roles in their films, but Alec Guinness, the actor best known in North America as Jedi knight Obi-Wan Kenobi, must hold the record for character changes in one feature-length movie.

In Kind Hearts and Coronets he plays no less than eight characters.

In an acting tour de force he's easily recognizable in each part, but doesn't repeat himself from character to character. Instead he carefully constructs each, from the happy-go-lucky young photographer to the window-smashing suffragette Lady Agatha.

Rivalling Guinness's achievement is Buster Keaton who played every part — including a stagehand, a dance troupe, a full band and every member in the audience — in the 1921 short film The Play House.

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## Ratner sorry for slur

► Tower Heist director apologizes for gay remark ► Academy accepts it

Brett Ratner said Monday that he's sorry for using a gay slur during a question-and-answer session at a screening for his new film.

The 42-year-old filmmaker, who is set to produce next year's Academy Awards, issued a statement apologizing "for any offence my remarks caused."

Ratner used a pejorative term to describe gay men in response to a question asked at a screening of his latest movie, Tower Heist.

"It was a dumb way of expressing myself," Ratner said in his statement. "Everyone who knows me knows that I don't have a prejudiced bone in my

body. But as a storyteller I should have been much more thoughtful about the power of language and my choice of words."

Tom Sherak, president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, said Monday that Ratner's remarks were "inappropriate" but the academy isn't

planning to remove him from his Oscar-producing position.

"The bottom line is, this won't and can't happen again. It will not happen again," Sherak said. "The apology he gave I truly believe comes from his heart."

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# Melissa McCarthy promoting Ivory and jumpsuits

► She was by far the funniest and most likeable Bridesmaid ► Now the Mike & Molly star is starting her own plus-sized clothing line

## THE WORD

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After she took the stage to launch Ivory Soap's new Soap Dish Facebook community for moms in New York City on Monday night — and was presented with a giant bar of Ivory carved in her likeness — Melissa Mc-

Carthy took a few moments to chat with Metro about the possibility of a sequel to Bridesmaids, the summer blockbuster that made her a household name.

"[It's a] yes for me, [but I] don't know that it's happening," she told us.

"I'll basically show up anywhere with those women — even if it's like a long bus trip, I'll go with them — but no talk of it yet. I think everyone's so busy. But I wouldn't mind it



► Melissa McCarthy

down the road just because I love that group."

McCarthy is indeed keeping very busy.

Not only did she win an Emmy this year for her sitcom Mike & Molly, but she's also developing her

own clothing line for plus-sized women.

"It's so preliminary right now. I know I want a jumpsuit in it. I'm not afraid of it. I love a jumpsuit."

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# IMMORTALS WORDS

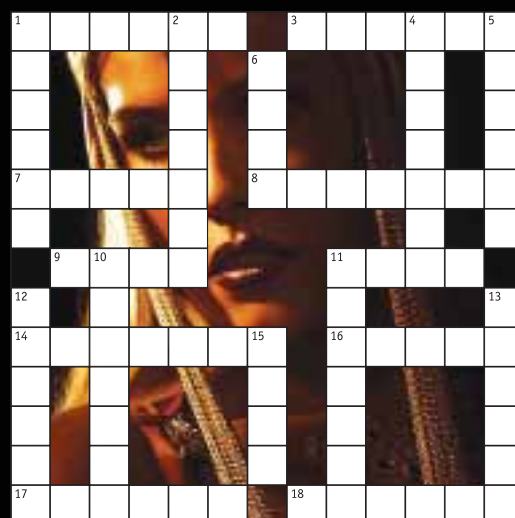
## ACROSS

- 1 Kellan Lutz, Poseidon in *Immortals*, also plays \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Cullen in the *Twilight* films
- 3 Henry Cavill is Charles Brandon in TV's *The \_\_\_\_\_*
- 7 Nimble
- 8 An ancient Greek warship with three rows of oars
- 9 Freida Pinto made a splash in *Rise of the Planet of the \_\_\_\_\_*
- 11 Make matters worse, rub \_\_\_\_\_ in the wound
- 14 2010's \_\_\_\_\_ the Titans had 16 Across in the role of Apollo
- 16 Luke \_\_\_\_\_ plays Zeus in *Immortals*
- 17 He (16 Across) has been a busy fellow recently, also playing \_\_\_\_\_ of *The Three Musketeers*
- 18 Enrages

## DOWN

- 1 Those who make up battle scenes
- 2 Role for Henry Cavill in *Immortals*
- 4 Cavill next plays Superman in *Man \_\_\_\_\_*
- 5 Corey \_\_\_\_\_ is Apollo in *Immortals*
- 6 He takes on the role of Old Zeus
- 10 Pinto's part in *Immortals*
- 11 McHattie or Dorff of *Immortals*
- 12 Several Canadians are in the film, including McHattie, who is from Nova \_\_\_\_\_
- 13 King Hyperion portrayed Mickey Rourke and 6 Down have both been up for \_\_\_\_\_
- 15 Challenge

## Crossword #2



SOLUTION: ACROSS 1. EMMETT 3. TUDORS 7. AGILE 8. TRIREME 9. APES 11. SALT 14. CLASH OF 16. EVANS 17. ARAMIS 18. ANGERS DOWN 1. EXTRAS 2. THESEUS 4. OF STEEL 5. SEVIER 6. HURT 10. PHAEDRA 11. STEPHEN 12. SCOTIA 13. OSCARS 15. FACE

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## Travel in brief



The Kardashian family recently opened what they're calling a "celebrity lifestyle boutique" at The Mirage Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas. Kardashian Khaos features all products endorsed by the Kardashian sisters, Kim, Kourtney and Khloe, and their mother Kris Jenner. It will also feature exclusive Las Vegas souvenir items including playing cards and novelty gambling chips.

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Vancouver Christmas market bigger than ever, with artisans from across Canada.

# Big Apple shopping

► The holiday season in New York kicks off with American Thanksgiving ► The city celebrates the upcoming retail-mad months with glittering events, jolly gift markets and traffic-stopping window displays ► Try one-stop shops to maximize gift-buying time



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New York is one of the most iconic places for Christmas shopping. Not only does the city display how to shop for the holidays in style, but the shopping season starts early, too.

Holiday shopping in the Big Apple kicks off with the Thanksgiving Day festival, on the third Thursday of November. The festival is marked by the annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, a colourful event that snakes all the way across Manhattan to the famous department store.

The next day is one of the biggest shopping days of the year — Black Friday. This crazy day of sales takes place on the Friday after Thanksgiving Day, with bargain-hunters taking the day off work to line up overnight to catch the best discounts.

From then on, it's open season on the shopping front. There are several holiday markets offering a mix of gift ideas. Bryant Park is home to booths selling clothes, quirky gifts, crafts and jewelry at The Holiday Shops (Until Jan. 8, [theholidayshopsat-bryantpark.com](http://theholidayshopsat-bryantpark.com)). You'll find more than 100 red and white booths selling affordable gifts, as well as vouchers for local stores, at the Union Square Holiday Market (Nov. 18 to Dec. 24, [urbanspacenyc.com](http://urbanspacenyc.com)) and Columbus Circle Holiday Market at the south west entrance of Central Park (Nov. 30 to Dec. 24, [urbanspacenyc.com](http://urbanspacenyc.com)). If the weather is glacial, try the indoor gift fair in the elegant Vanderbilt Hall of Grand Central Station (Nov. 14 to Dec. 24, [grandcentralterminal.com](http://grandcentralterminal.com)).

As well as providing a brilliant one-stop gift shop for time-poor tourists, department stores from Bloomingdale's and Macy's to toys-



► Marking the start of Christmas-shopping madness: Macy's annual Thanksgiving Parade

tore FAO Schwartz compete to feature the most dazzling window displays during the festive season. This year hip department store Barneys even gets a Lady Gaga-inspired twist, with windows and men's floor decked out as "Gaga's Workshop" ([barneys.com](http://barneys.com)).

## If you go...

After all of that shopping, you're going to need to treat yourself to a well-earned night of rest in a high-end hotel.

### Stay:

For luxury, head to the Carlyle. Located on Madison Avenue, it's a favourite of politicians and celebrities. This New York landmark offers sweeping views of Central Park and easy access to the Upper East Side boutiques. [thecarlyle.com](http://thecarlyle.com)

## Feel festive in NYC

### GAWK AT THE TREES

- New York is full of decorated Christmas trees in the run-up to the big event, but the biggest one in the city is outside the Rockefeller Center. Every year the spruce is ceremoniously lit by a celebrity. Expect a star-studded event Nov. 30. [rockefellercenter.com](http://rockefellercenter.com)



### MEET SANTA

- The classic place to do this is at department store, Macy's, where there is a team of gents in red suits and white beards waiting to hear

your child's Christmas wishes. Beat the lines by going early in the day, and on a weekday. [macys.com](http://macys.com)

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## PLACES TO BUY STOCKING STUFFERS



### HOMEWARE Pearl River

- This department store is a treasure-trove of Chinese gifts. Buy tree ornaments, silk purses, kung-fu shoes, scarlet lanterns and butterfly kites. [pearlriver.com](http://pearlriver.com)



### FUNNY GIFTS Fred Flare

- This cult Brooklyn shop stocks funny gifts for everyone and a pop-up shop from December 15-23 in NYC's Chelsea Market at 75 9th Ave. [fredflare.com](http://fredflare.com).

**Drink of the week**

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This seasonal Autumn Apple Orchard beverage can be served hot or cold. Either way, it'll hopefully evoke images of county fairs and crisp leaves crunching underfoot.

If you don't have a lazy fall afternoon to spare making your own cider, just mix one part cranberry juice into three parts store-bought apple cider.

The garnish might seem ostentatious, but the brûléed cinnamon and sugar will make your kitchen smell incredible, and the spectacle is always a crowd-pleaser.

You can get a decent torch at Canadian Tire for under \$20.

- .75 oz Calvados
- .5 oz spiced rum
- cranberry apple cider to your taste

In glass filled with ice, add liquor and top with the cranberry apple cider. Garnish with a brûléed apple slice, dusted with sugar, cinnamon.

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# How do you like these apples?

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## Apple Dessert Pizza



► This pizza serves eight.

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### Apple Dessert Pizza Preparation:

- 1 Press or roll pizza dough into a 30-cm (12-inch) circle; place on a pizza pan or large baking sheet sprayed with cooking spray. Brush 2.5-cm (1-inch) edge of dough with a little melted butter. In a small bowl, mix

sugar with cinnamon; sprinkle 15 ml (1 tbsp) over buttered edge of dough.

- 2 In a medium bowl, toss apples with remaining butter and sugar mixture until well coated. Arrange over dough just inside sugar edging. Bake in a 200 C (400 F) oven for 20 minutes.
- 3 Sprinkle with raisins, pecans and chocolate chips; bake for 10 minutes or until apples are tender and edge of dough is lightly browned. Cool slightly;

cut into wedges. Drizzle with Cinnamon icing.

- 4 Cinnamon Icing: In a medium bowl, mix 125 ml (1/2 cup) icing sugar with 1 ml (1/4 tsp) cin-

namon; stir in 15 ml (1 tbsp) milk.

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### Ingredients:

- 1 pizza dough (650 g/1 1/4 lb)
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) butter, melted
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) granulated sugar
- 5 ml (1 tsp) cinnamon
- 750 ml (3 cups) sliced peeled apples (Empire, McIntosh or Cortland)
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) golden raisins or dried cranberries
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) chopped pecans or walnuts
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) semisweet or milk chocolate chips
- Cinnamon Icing (See final step for directions)



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# It's been a pleasure doing business

## STUDENT VOICE

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I began working well before I started university. I loved working with children and found summer and after-school jobs first as a babysitter, then at a camp and then at a day-care. After high school, I travelled and took courses abroad and came back around the winter semester.

Since I intended to pursue a kinesiology arts degree, I enrolled in courses to become certified as a personal trainer and pilates instructor. I knew it would be difficult to find a well paying part-time position as a student and I realized that being certified would allow me to earn money to pay for my education and also gain rele-

vant experience during my studies in kinesiology.

Soon after I became certified, I was excited to find a job at a local gym. But, when I returned to school full-time, my schedule often conflicted with work and it was difficult to balance both. So I quit my job.

I realized that starting my own fitness equipment and fitness apparel business might be a great idea since it would allow me to create my own work schedule. I did a little bit

### What I learned

Key take-aways from Vered's experience.

- ▶ Figure out what you love doing and develop a plan to turn it into a job.
- ▶ If you have a great idea for a business, don't be afraid to start one!



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of further research on how one starts their own business and I discovered that it would require a lot of money, time and space

— none of which I had.

Since I always loved making jewelry and designing, I decided that for the time being I would sell

### Where Vered is now

Currently I am finishing my last year and a half as a kinesiology major and a business minor at York University while working part-time running both of my businesses.

accessories. I found several suppliers, designed my website and logo with a major design company, and then launched my accessories business, vered-ben.com. In my third year as a student, I finally felt ready to pursue my passion in the fitness and health industry. I started V2Be, a fitness training program for women and girls. I developed a curriculum and launched an after school fitness program that focuses on healthy living and self-esteem building for children.

It has definitely been a challenge combining school with business, but it is absolutely amazing to have the flexibility of creating my own schedule

and deciding how much work I want to put in and when. Although I am only doing this business part-time, I have the option of pursuing it full-time when I graduate.

Most career centres and schools focus a lot on grades, career options and resumés, and usually do not let students think outside the box when it comes to job searching. I think schools should help students see that working for yourself can be a great option.

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## Don't sit on the search

▶ It's tougher than ever for grads to find work right away

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Most college seniors are crazy busy: working on a capstone project, mopping up requirements and squeezing in one more internship.

Unfortunately, there's one other thing to take care of now: It's not too early to start looking for a job.

"It is critical that students prepare ahead of time, especially in a tough economy," says Nick Schaefer, director of career services at Gwynedd-Mercy College in the U.S..

"New graduates are having more trouble than ever before in landing full-time jobs related to their field."

There are several elements to an effective job search, Schaefer explains. One of the most important is networking. "Networking is time-consuming and



▶ Stop waiting for a sign. Get yourself out there!

needs to begin earlier than later," Schaefer emphasizes.

In order to network effectively, you'll need to do some groundwork:

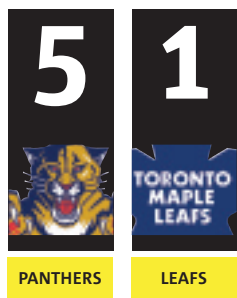
1. Put together your résumé and cover letter.
2. Talk to the people you'd like to serve as references and get full contact infor-

mation. By doing so you're letting them know that you're actively looking in case they hear of a job you'd be a good fit for.

3. If you're not on LinkedIn yet, create a profile. Look for appropriate groups to join, including professional groups, industry groups and alumni from your school.

# Monster gets mashed

► Panthers drive Gustavsson from Leafs' net with three soft goals en route to victory



James Reimer's injury status is about to take on even more importance for the Toronto Maple Leafs.

The team was booed by its home fans for a second straight game after Jonas Gustavsson surrendered three soft goals during a 5-1 loss to the Florida Panthers last night.

It was the eighth straight game the Leafs were playing without Reimer, who is still experiencing concussion-like symptoms after getting hit by Habs captain Brian Gionta on Oct. 22. The team has provided no timetable for his return.

They were able to get by initially with Gustavsson and third-stringer Ben Scrivens, but haven't played with much confidence in front of either over the last week.

It certainly hasn't helped that Toronto's offence has been ice cold — the team endured a scoreless streak of 137 minutes 59 seconds before Phil Kessel scored his league-leading 11th goal in the



► Jonas Gustavsson got pulled shortly after the Panthers scored their third goal last night.

third period once the game was already out of reach.

Jack Skille, Marco Sturm, Tomas Kopecky, Sean Bergenheim and Shawn Matthias had the goals for Florida (7-4-3), which is off to its best start since 1999-2000.

Kessel replied for Toronto (9-5-1).

The Leafs were looking to bounce back after being hammered 7-0 by Boston on Saturday night, but Gustavsson spotted the visitors an early lead. Skille had a wide open net for his first goal of the season at 9:45 after the Leafs goaltender slid well out of his crease.

Toronto looked poised to

tie the game during a strong start to the second period that forced Panthers coach Kevin Dineen to call a timeout.

Instead, goals 19 seconds apart chased Gustavsson and made it 3-0 Florida.

Fans cheered when Leafs coach Ron Wilson sent Scrivens in to replace him.

The rookie had a couple good moments — stopping former Leaf Kris Versteeg on a breakaway — but allowed goals to Bergenheim and Matthias in the third period. He might earn his third NHL start for Toronto's next game in St. Louis tomorrow night.

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## Official says support for Paterno on Penn State board of trustees eroding

Coach Joe Paterno is fighting for his job amid "eroding" support from Penn State's board of trustees and a widening sex-abuse scandal and possible cover up centred on former assistant and one-time heir apparent Jerry Sandusky.

Paterno's regularly scheduled news conference was abruptly cancelled yesterday. A university spokesman cited "ongoing legal circum-

stances," a reference to charges announced over the weekend that Sandusky molested eight young boys between 1994 and 2009, and that two PSU administrators who have since stepped aside failed to notify authorities of a 2002 incident reported by an eyewitness.

Penn State's board of trustees was "in sessions" chairman Steve Garban acknowledged when asked in

a brief interview with The Associated Press if the board had called an emergency meeting. A person who spoke on condition of anonymity because the schedule was not made public said the trustees were having a teleconference last night.

Hundreds of fans staged a raucous rally outside Paterno's home a short time earlier.

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### NBA LOCKOUT

## Players reject offer

Union president Derek Fisher says his orders from NBA players are clear: No deal.

"The current offer on the table from the NBA is one that we cannot accept," he said yesterday.

Instead, the players said they will ask for another meeting with the owners before commissioner David

Stern's afternoon deadline today.

Stern has said that if the players don't take the current deal by then, the league's next offer will be much worse.

The players insisted they will not be forced into taking a bad deal by an ultimatum.

"The players are saying that we understand their position, but unfortunately we're not intimidated by that," union executive director Billy Hunter said.

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sports

### Sports in brief



Canadian lightweight Sam (Hands of Stone) Stout will face Thiago Tavares at UFC 142 in Brazil on Jan. 14.

The 155-pounder from London is coming off a knockout of the night performance in a win over veteran Yves Edwards at UFC 131 in June in Vancouver. Stout (18-6-1) has won four of his last five fights.

Tavares (20-4-1) stopped Spencer Fisher in the second round at UFC Rio in August.

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# 5 drive

## By comparison

### Toyota Camry Hybrid

Base price: \$26,700  
All-new 2012 version provides vastly improved fuel economy.

### Hyundai Sonata Hybrid

Base price: \$26,500  
Kia's relation uses similar powertrain, but has significantly different styling.

### Ford Fusion Hybrid

Base price: \$29,400  
Fuel-efficient Toyota-based technology works well and saves fuel.

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## Battery system & engine

The battery system — in fact the Hybrid's entire powertrain for that matter — has been lifted from the Hyundai Sonata Hybrid and consists of a 270-volt lithium-polymer battery that's claimed to be lighter and more durable than other types, such as the lithium-ion cells installed in the Chevrolet Volt and the Nissan Leaf electric cars.

The battery feeds a 40-horsepower electric motor that functions in tandem with a 166-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder engine, for a combined 206 horsepower.

## Comparison

The Optima Hybrid is capable of speeds up to 100 km/h on electric power alone, compared to 75 km/h for the Ford Fusion and for short bursts up to 40 km/h for the 2012 Toyota Camry Hybrid.

However, the Optima's estimated 5.6 l/100 km city and 4.9 highway fuel economy falls short of the Camry's 4.5/4.9 and the Ford Fusion's 4.6/5.4 city/highway ratings.

## Fuel-sipping features

The Hybrid uses a special six-speed-automatic transmission that operates without a traditional torque converter, again a departure from most hybrid cars that use continuously variable transmissions. The top three gear ratios have been designed so that the engine runs at the lowest-possible engine speed to help save fuel.

The car also features low-rolling-resistance tires and an integrated starter-generator that shuts off the gas engine when the vehicle is stopped.



► Designer Peter Schreyer is known for the Audi A6 and the TT. Now he's known for the Kia Optima.

# Can fuel-saving look this good?



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If your passion for cars is matched only by your determination to avoid \$1.25/litre fuel stops, the Kia Optima Hybrid appears to have been built just for you.

The Korea-based au-

tomaker, part of the Hyundai organization, has been aggressively introducing an array of new products at a relentless pace.

As a result, the company's adolescent-like growth spurt has rapidly brought it into the automo-

tive mainstream where previously it had been considered just a bit player.

For the 2011 model year, Kia issued forth an all new Optima sedan, designed by former Volkswagen-Audi stylist Peter Schreyer who is credited with the

look of Audi's A6 sedan and sporty TT coupe and roadster.

Since his arrival at Kia back in 2006, the brand's design "language" has headed off in a completely different direction from parent Hyundai's.

The Optima and its gasoline-electric Hybrid off-

shoot are shining examples.

Both mid-size four-door sedans appear nearly identical, yet the Hybrid features a slightly different grille, unique 16-inch wheels and extra lower cladding, LED (Light Emitting Diode) tail lamps and a Hybrid badge affixed to the trunk lid.

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## TESLA GOES BIG ... NOT PREPARED TO GO HOME

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Regardless of your personal prognostications about whether electric vehicles will or will not rule the roads in the near or far future, you have to admire the considerable conviction of Tesla's co-founder and CEO, Elon Musk.

**T**he considerable fortune he made through PayPal and other ventures he then sunk into the Tesla electric vehicle adventure.

Soon after he took the company public last summer it purchased a huge factory, the ex-Toyota plant in Fremont, California.

By next summer the plant will begin shipping out production versions of the new Tesla Model S — an all-electric luxury sedan. While about 5,000 units will be built in 2012, Musk fully expects to be building and selling 20,000 units of Model S during 2013. In that year he also expects to build and sell an additional 15,000 units of Model X, a yet-to-be-introduced crossover based on the platform debuted



► The Tesla Model S is an all-electric luxury sedan. Its electric drivetrain is located between the two rear wheels. This allows the car to have two trunks — one in the front, in addition to the standard rear trunk. As for that front trunk, you can just call it a “frunk.”

by the Model S.

All this in a hairy economic market, and a marketplace where electric cars have yet to prove their mettle, business case, infrastructure requirements, consumer acceptance, etcetera, etcetera.

That, my friends, is a decisive, unwavering, non fence-sitter kind of a guy. Unlike myself, of course, whose favourite joke is this one: “Do you have trouble making up your mind? Well, yes and no.”

Last month, Tesla invited all its deposit holders to the plant, so they could witness in person the unveiling of the production-

ready Model S. Over 3,000 made the trip and by all accounts, treated Musk like a rock star.

To keep the buzz going, Tesla has been taking the Model S to selected North American cities. Last week it landed in Toronto, and we decided to mosey on down to have a look.

First impression? It's a pretty car, but also a bit coy about its electric nature.

One of the Tesla's handlers, Camille Ricketts, told me the look is purposely familiar, to help ease consumers into the electric movement. She noted that interior packaging is

## Numbers

Tesla S by the numbers:

**\$57,400**

Expected U.S. base price.

**6,500**

Number of customers worldwide who have plunked down \$5,000 deposits.

where the more dramatic gains of electric propulsion are leveraged.

With battery cells packaged in the floor, and the entire electric drivetrain packaged between the two rear wheels, the rest of the vehicle can be utilized for people and stuff.

Model S has a trunk at each end of the car and three rows of seats. (FYI, the “trunk” at the front is now called a “frunk.”)

But the most dramatic feature of Model S is its incredible touch-screen interface — at 43 cm, it is about the size of two iPads.

“All the car controls are baked into this one touch-screen,” says Ricketts. And if you don't believe her, just go and try to find

some buttons, switches or knobs... The sunroof even opens by sliding your finger down the screen.

“We really think this is going to be the future of interior car control,” adds Ricketts, “because it's so easily update-able.”

It can be easily updated because it is connected to the Internet via the 3G networks, allowing the car and driver to take advantage of any future software or application revelation.

Tesla also feels that vehicles are the new platform for application development, and is excited about working with app developers.

## Top Gear



Interior lights can help you find your way or your contents stowed inside a passenger car, minivan or sport utility vehicle, but you're on your own when it comes to searching the bed of your pickup truck in the dark.

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## SECOND GEAR



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One of the best ways to cut through upcoming winter driving conditions is in the lap of German engineered AWD luxury from the driver's seat of an Audi A8.

The last-generation of Audi's flagship sedan model was available from 2004 to 2010.

It packed plenty of space, 8- or 12-cylinder power and Quattro All Wheel Drive (AWD) on all models. Translation? The A8 can comfortably eat any of Mother Nature's nastiest winter conditions for lunch.



## Common issues

Numerous Audi owner forums recommend avoiding the first year (2004) of this A8 generation, as it seems less reliable. The A8 should also be scrutinized for electrical problems, with shoppers advised to ensure all power accessories, readouts and lights work as expected. Avoid A8 models with the adaptive air suspension, which will be expensive to fix if it fails. As a bare minimum, visit an Audi garage and have your used A8 candidate checked for coolant, oil and transmission fluid leaks.

## Verdict

If you're comfortable with the potential maintenance pricetag, a well-maintained A8 will deliver confident, year-round motoring enjoyment in one of the market's most highly envied large sedans.

## Engine

A8 came with a proven 4.2-litre V-8 developing between 330 and 350 horsepower.

A six-litre W-12 engine was also available with 450 horsepower.

## What owners like

Owners rave about a sense of style, status and exclusivity, as well as a long list of safety features and the confidence of Quattro AWD.

Comfort, space and performance were all highly rated, too.

## What owners dislike

Some owners wish their A8's were easier to park, and others wish for better fuel mileage. Finally, many A8 owners report a learning curve required to use the more advanced controls.

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# Guide to winter tires

► Still sitting on the fence about getting winter tires this year? Want them, but don't know where to start? ► You're in the right place for tire advice



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As the seasons change, so should your tires. You've probably noticed that the nastier-weather varieties are now called winter tires, rather than snow tires. This isn't just the same product with a new name.

Winter tires provide superior traction in all types of winter conditions, from deep snow, to puddles, to dry pavement.

The main differences between tires are in their tread and rubber compounds. Winter treads are more aggressive so they can bite into snow, and push slush and water out of the way. This is very important, since tires that don't properly channel water can create a situation, called hydroplaning, where the tire floats on top of puddles instead of maintaining contact with the asphalt below.

If your car hydroplanes, you don't have control of it. The formulation of the rubber compound is also important, as rubber gets soft in the heat and hard in the cold — exactly the opposite of what you want it to do in your tire. The softer compound in winter

tires helps them to stick to the pavement, although it does make them wear faster, one of the trade-offs of good winter tires.

So-called "all-season" tires are halfway between summer and winter ones.

They're better described as "three-season" tires, since they're inferior to the performance of winter tires at a time when driving can be most treacherous. Some companies offer a new "four-season" version, which meets winter tire standards, identified on all tires that do so by a stylized logo of a mountain and snowflake moulded into the sidewall.

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but the highest price doesn't always guarantee the most appropriate tire. Several consumer groups rate winter tires; in Canada, the Automobile Protection Association offers a free comparison chart of some 50 tires at APA.ca.

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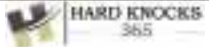


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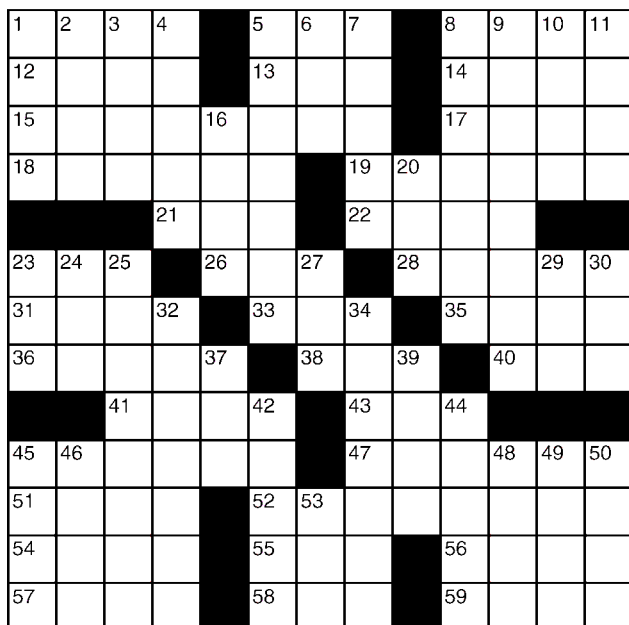
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## Crossword

### Across

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5 Total  
8 "That's a relief!"  
12 Volcanic outflow  
13 CAT scan alternative  
14 Exceptional  
15 Type of tennis stroke  
17 Paquin or Faris  
18 Allow  
19 Brooklyn center fielder Duke  
21 Pismire  
22 Novice  
23 Blond shade  
26 Earl Grey, e.g.  
28 Honda model  
31 Bartlett or Bosc  
33 Carpet  
35 Congers, e.g.  
36 Discussion group  
38 Decker in the ring  
40 Marseilles monarch  
41 Turns to the right  
43 Lawn glistener  
45 Loss' opposite  
47 About three miles  
51 Adore  
52 Eave  
54 Addict  
55 Existed  
56 Hodgepodge  
57 Red Planet  
58 Type measures  
59 Feedbag contents  
**Down**  
1 Showbiz failure  
2 Wash  
3 State with certainty  
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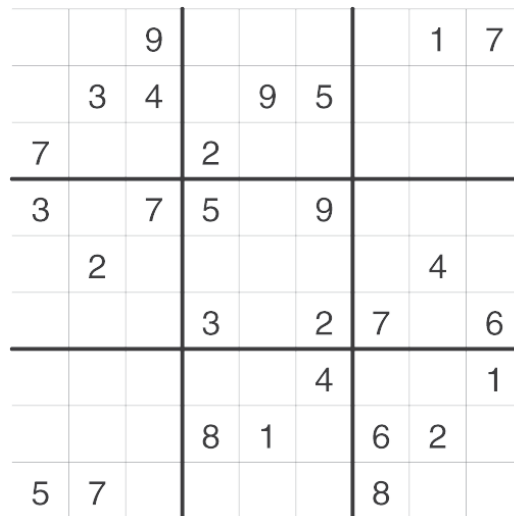


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42 "Uncle Tom's Cabin" author  
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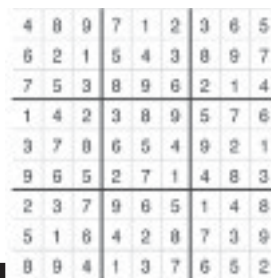
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**♈ Aries March 21-April 20**  
Today's cosmic influences suggest that you will make some interesting friends over the next 24 hours.  
**♉ Taurus April 21-May 21** If you have been thinking about taking a new direction in your career, now is the time to do it.  
**♊ Gemini May 22-June 21** You'll ask a lot of meaningful questions about the world around you. What matters is you're thinking.  
**♋ Cancer June 22-July 22** What happens today will give you the pointer you need to change your life. It's up to you to do it.

**♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23** Today, it's important to remember that nothing stays the same forever, relationships least of all.  
**♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22** Focus on essentials, such as getting ahead in your career and making a fortune from your big ideas.  
**♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23** It's time to embark on a new adventure and what you start over the next few days will succeed.  
**♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22** You will learn something interesting about a colleague today that you can use to your advantage.

**♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21** Today, ask yourself why create enemies when, with just the same effort, you can create friends?  
**♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20** Follow your instincts today, even if they take you in the opposite direction to everyone else.  
**♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18** What would you do if you knew you could not fail? Give it some thought over the next 24 hours.  
**♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20** Remind yourself, each and every minute of the day, that fear is an illusion. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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